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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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FOR : **FUEL PUMP MONITORING SYSTEM  
AND ASSOCIATED METHOD**  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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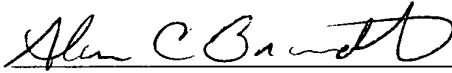
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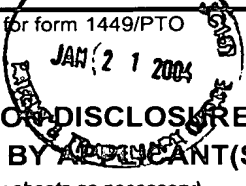
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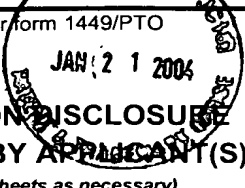
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